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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated October 13, 2006. Review and reconsideration on the merits in view of the following remarks and amendments is respectfully requested.

A Petition for Extension of Time for two months is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, extending the time for response from January 13, 2007 to March 13, 2007.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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